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Class of works: I am writing in support of Class #2 (DVD Region Coding): Audiovisual works stored on Digital Versatile Disks ("DVDs") that are not available in Region 1 DVD format and access to which is prevented by technological measures.

Summary:

Disc name: O auto da compadecida (Globo Filmes)

I am a US citizen, and my boyfriend is from Brazil. Recently, he went to Brazil and bought some DVDs of Brazilian movies for me to watch in order to learn more about their language and culture. However, when I tried to view the movies on my IBM laptop (running Windows) I discovered that I cannot view Brazilian DVDs on my computer! I finally figured out that I was allowed to change my region code 5 times, so actually I'm allowed to watch about 2 or 3 Brazilian DVDs...ever. I think this is ridiculous; I bought both the computer and the DVDs legally. There should be no reason that one should not work with the other. Please consider doing something about the legislation that causes this problem.